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Grafton April 19. 1775

Cambridge

April y 19. 1775 this Day the
British troops Commenced the most
unnatural hostilities in the most cruel &
Barbarous manner Slaying neither old
or young woman or child ------
On tuesday April 18 at. 11. o/clock night
they came out from Boston & went to Lexi-
ton & killed 8 men & then went to Concor
& killed some of our men & Destroy'd
part of our Stores but were attacked
by a few of our people they retreated
Back with al possible Speed with Considerable
loss ---- Notwithstanding these Inhuman
acts our people treated their wounded &
with Great tenderness (& those they had tak

Thursday April 27. The Lord brought it from
on high & filled the day with a shout &c

April 19. 1775 the militia Company
under the Command of Captain Kimball
36 in number Inclusive of officers
marched to Cambridge Common and were
Likewise Station there

(took his Place
Sunday April 22. Ser. more Left the Co. & Dr Simon Brook
April 24 Simon willard Left the Co. without Leave
April 26 Natth Grover Left the Co. with out Leave
April 28. Noah Kimball Left the C. with out Leave
Thursday april 27. Simon Brook Left the Co & Dr &c.
was Drumth took his Place and Samuel Whipple left
same day Friday april 28. John. Joshua
& Ephraim willard Left the Camp without Leave
May 1. 1775 Jonathan Hemenway was took
Sick Marian Place
Friday April 28 Spencer Maynard Place was
supplied by another man
Wednesday may 3. Sert Stacy & Perly
Batchellor Left the Co. & Daniel
Thursday may 4. John. Whipple &
Jonathan Chandler Left ies

Samuel Whipple was Dis. april 27

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Friday may 5th. 1775 Mr. Silas Parker
took on. Goddards Place
Saterday Natth. Adams took Andrew
Adams Place
May y 9. 1775. Michajah Fay Left the Comp
with out Leave.
May y 10 Lieut Whipple Left
Company
may y 12. 1775 Tho Axtell Left the
Comp.y. and another man took his Place
Saterday afternoon Mr. Natth. grow
come down & took the Place of Mr. Silas
& Mr. Evens y Place of Silas Warrin
Wm. Grout took the Place of Jesyn
Meriam May 14

Carried to the Camp
15 - pound, Bread 5 pound
12 - Pound, Cheese 4 Pound
Butter.

8. Pound Bread 4 pound meat
Calf pick - Beans

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a Journal from Day to day
ed April 19. 1775 this Day we had an
alarm which Past through the Country it
reached Groton about 12 o Clock
the Town was rallied & marched
all Wednesday night & Thursday till
we come to Cambridg Common
which was about one or two of the
Clock Thursday night we Encampted in
Landlord Bradshs Barn -- -- --
Friday 21 1775 did Duty on the Common
& Lodge in said Barn again &
the Rev. mr Grosvenor of Groton
attend with us & prayed with our
Companies -- Saterday April 22 1775
this morning was raining we joined our
Regiment in the afternoon marched to our
alarm Post & then Back to the Com.
again & then were Dismiss'd
Lords Day April 23. 1775 this Day set
out to go to Groton & return thither
on monday about 9 o Clock & returned
to the Camp on Wednesday 26 Day
Thursday April 27 -- 1775 this day
attended Duty in Regimental Order
in the Evening Upon Guard
Friday 28 this day being on guard
we attended Prayers on the Common

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the Companies are Drawn up upon the Parade
after prayer the Chief officers aquainted us
with the good News from new york and
recommended good order &c Then we
returned to the Guard house & at Evening
were Dismiss'd & returned to our Barrack's

Saterday. April 29. nothing Special this morn
at the after noon a Large Body of men
Came down to Town & a Part of ye men have
Indian cloaths on which occation much Speculation of the wo
were regarded & marched on the Common
Joined our Regiment performed Several
manoeuvres & came to our aforesaid Post & there
were Dismiss'd & cautioned to be in readiness
for an Attack

Lords day April 30th 1775. this morning we
attended Prayers on the Common at 6 o'Clock
& then Returned to Barrack & Mr Spring
prayed with us & proposed to Preach
with us. the Exercise to begin at half
after Ten o'Clock he accordingly came
and Preached from ye 119. Psalm
& 67 verse before I was afflicted Went
a Prayer.

afternoon from Hebrews. 4. 9
There remaineth a rest for the People
of God
Chief officers went this afternoon and
Viewed the Land between Cambridge
& Boston this Evening I was Drawn
out for the Fleet Guard

and marched about 5 oClock Last to the
parade where after remaining we went
in to the guard house and about 10 oClock
we were order'd out on the parade where
nothing special occur'd we again Returned to
the guard house again & there Continued till
morning when we were order'd
out at 8 oClock leaving but 45 men we went
to Cambridge and Drawed in Six boats
before Breakfast in the Evening were
from the guard & went to our Barracks
after some of us Lain down to sleep orders
came to our Capts to take 25. men out of our
Companies to Encamp in the meeting house
upon their Arms the rest of us who were Newly
Come of the guard were ordered to
Likewise to Load our guns & to sleep with them
in our hands. however we Night past in Quietness

Tuesday may y^e 2. 1775 Early this morning went
to the Cambridge guard an attended prayer
nothing Remarkable this day but an Indian frolick
on the Common with the Head Called Generall
gage & this Evening was Called to go upon the Picket
Guard:

Wednesday May 3. 1775 this morning attended
prayer on the Common and then Returned
to Duty and y^e guard paraded & then marched
on the Common & then Returned & were
Dismised til 4. oClock afternoon
a Number was this day Sent off to Entrench

Wednesday [illegible] may 1/3 - at 4 o'Clock
Rotch's guard ~~attended~~ & perraded &
marched on y^e Common & performed the command
Exercise &c & returned to the Guardhouse & was
dismissed ~~got Leave to~~ at ten Prayers on the Common
at 6 o'Clock after which we Immediately to our
Station & were relieved about 8 o'Clock . .

Thursday May y^e 4. this morning attended on the
Common where y^e Honorable President read
a chapter & Prayed to this I whereupon Dismiss'd
to attend at my return attend Prayers at the
meeting house afternoon ~~[illegible]~~ Duty in
the Regiment Entertaining ~~[illegible]~~ going on

Friday May y^e 5. at 6 o'Clock morn
attended Prayers on the Common Mr Johns
of Harvard prayed at Nine o'Clock
was Drawn out for the main guard & to
be on 24 hours & to stand Centry 2
2 hours at a time

Saterday May y^e 6 this morning attended
Prayers in the meeting house after Prayers
a Psalm y^e Rev^d Mr Story of Gageboro Prayed
were dismiss'd from the Guards about 10 o'C
afternoon went with our Captain & my Vila
& viewed the Entrenchments in the woods
& marshes between Boston & Cambridge . .

Lords day May 7. this morning went
to the Common & the President read y^e 12 Rom
& Prayed and - at 2 Returned

attended in the meeting house Even-
after singing Rev. 7th I was Prayed
after [illegible] was ordered on the
main Guard and went to Chattoram
and Spent the Sabbath in a Town
and upon Centry
Monday may 1st 8. being
in Chattoram upon duty was Joined
about 11 o'Clock after Dinner we had
news of a young man from Hockley
being Shot by a Spy that was Thought
to be Chased as they were Exercising
near Chattoram he Left the out Instantly
house & returned his Piece but no hopes of life a Solemn
warning to the whole Army we Marched
to our Solemn Post & joined our Regt
Encamped on the Common & performed duty
Several Marches &. & cautious
to Join readiness as the Expected an Attack
from the Enemy however we Still Enjoy peace

Tuesday May 9th went to y[e] meeting house
to Pray on Wm Avery before he named
the Psalm gave a friendly Admonition of
Danger often wanted from our own Conduct
& Earnestly desired y[e] Soldiery to a Strict
attention to their Duty Came to watchfulness
& Some account of y[e] Young man that
was wounded as he was yet alive but no hopes
of life Continuing in Their Named a Psalm
Suitable to the Occation

our Company died on the morning
following & were left to keep Century in Watch
this afternoon it was strongly reported that
the Enemy would meet us this night Every
man was ordered to keep his gun and to be
ready at a moments warning This afternoon
I went to see Capt Quickly returned at Evening
Rec Batchelor & Mr Taylor Lieut Sherman
came to see us & stayed over night & half
of Capt Sherman and about 25 others stationed
with the night pass in quietness *
Thursday May 10 nothing Special this morning
I Batchellor & Mr Taylor & Lieut Whipple set
out upon a Recconoitering about 9 o Clock AM
at noon dinner & went with 2 Gorbush:
to Inmans Farm to carry dinner to the guards
& then went and Viewed the our Entrenchments
Breast works &c for by the river at 4 oClock
Duty on the parade attended Prayers at 6 PM
Mr Phelps of 3d men that was Shot Died this
afternoon & Lieut Graham
& one regiment marched to Roxbury
& however as a Scouting party Went out & came
near the Guard in Roxbury in the night & were hailed
& not giving a satisfactory answer were fired upon
and they all returned in safety no one hurt
but [illegible] alarm over [illegible] as well as
[illegible] part of night
[illegible] was buried Jonas
with [illegible] Century in a very decent
manner

6 and also of 3 [illegible]
16. [illegible]
meeting House
Lords Day 15. our people [illegible]
[illegible] our Capt. [illegible]
are going on and Company [illegible]
the Army is [illegible] Capt. Savage [illegible]
is upon Guard this Day another [illegible]
is upon Parade, [illegible]
persons Duty on the Common from 10 C
to 12 C'lock from 4. to Sunset except
Lieu. [illegible] out upon Guard all
night. Prayer is attended at 6 o'clock p m
at ten o'clock the [illegible] of prepared for
afternoon Divine Service [illegible]
to Watertown in a Body with their Guns
[illegible] their appearance before
[illegible] coming by it was said that [illegible]
at Roxbury [illegible] same time [illegible] that night
pretended [illegible] about Sunset a young
man aged 19 years [illegible] that night
who Belong to Boston who are taken
Sick of [illegible] Fever last monday [illegible] 2d Inst
[illegible] Died with Sickness in the [illegible]
near us

Lords Day May 14 attended Prayer
in the meeting house in the morning
and also attended the Public Worship
a Gentleman Preached from 10 Psalm
[illegible] last verse Afternoon another
Gentleman preached from

Exodus 32 Chap 9 to the End of 9
the 14 Verse a very good Discourse
after meeting Saw Mr D Grout who came
to take any Place I according ly got ready
& rode to Grafton this Night & thro
mercy I find all things well

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